



## FLOAT TRIP ETIQUETTE

For many Missouri natives, floating a local river is a rite of passage. Missouri has a profusion of beautiful rivers and it is not surprising that thousands of people flock to our rivers each year with kayaks, canoes, and boats. One of the most popular ways to enjoy Missouri's rivers is to float them. Float trips offer a unique opportunity for us to find refuge from our busy lives, to let go and flow with the currents of nature. Here are some reminders to guarantee everyone has a safe and enjoyable experience on the water:

- Safety first!
  - Wear a life jacket at all times because rivers are unpredictable.
  - Always keep a good first aid kit in a handy place.
  - Familiarize yourself with your river route and clearly mark potential emergency take-out points along your course.
- Stay hydrated!
  - Remember: glass containers are a bad idea and alcohol is not your friend. It not only impairs your ability to handle the often unpredictable conditions on the river, it also dehydrates you.
- Be conscious of and courteous to others enjoying the river.
  - Floaters have the right of way but share certain channels with powerboats. It is important to pick a side of the river and stick with it, giving the boat plenty of room to pass. Boaters can return respect by slowing down to minimize their wake for the floaters.
  - Excessive noise will scare off wildlife and may be disrespectful to others on the water.
  - There are proper places for human waste and urine. The water is not one of them.
  - Clean up after yourself. Your goal should be to leave the river in the same or better condition than you found it.
- After your float, don't forget to wash your gear and let it dry in the sun. Invasive zebra mussel and other aquatic pests are often spread by recreational river users that do not properly wash their gear.



If you properly plan your trip, and practice the above recommendations, floating can be a wonderful experience. If you are new to floating, or not confident in your skills as a floater, check out one of the Missouri Department of Conservation's free float trips that are offered this summer.



by SAMANTHA STOLLE, naturalist

# Jay Henges Shooting Range and Outdoor Education Center

1100 Antire Road, High Ridge, MO 63049 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/299](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/299)



From the east/St. Louis  
I-44 west to Beaumont Antire Road, exit 269. Left over I-44 to Antire Road. Right on Antire. One hundred feet to entrance.

From the west/Eureka  
I-44 east to Beaumont Antire Road, exit 269. Follow exit lane around to top.

## HOURS:

April 1 – November 30  
Wednesday: 11 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday and Saturday: 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
Friday and Sunday: 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

December 1 – March 31  
Wednesday – Sunday: 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Programs are free. Call **636-938-9548** or email [henges.range@mdc.mo.gov](mailto:henges.range@mdc.mo.gov) with your name and phone number to sign up for a program requiring registration. Up to two reservations are allowed per registration; groups should contact the range for more information. If you are unable to attend, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

## Women's Beginning Handgun

May 7 • Thursday • 6 – 9 p.m.

*(Women only, ages 16 and up)*

Includes classroom handgun operation, shooting fundamentals, safety, maintenance, and safe storage. Equipment and ammo will be provided, or you may bring your own gun and ammo. Adult must accompany those under **age 18**. (Reservations begin April 7.)

## Discover Nature Women—Mother's Day Free Shooting

May 10 • Sunday • 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bring your mom to the range for Mother's Day and each mother with their sons and/or daughters can all receive one shooting discipline for free. Choose one booth for one hour on the Rifle/Pistol Range; or one hour each on Static Archery; or one round each for 3D Archery; or one round each of Trap. (No reservations required.) Dads, your special day is next month.

## Trigger Time—Handgun

May 16 • Saturday • 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

*(Ages 18 and up)*

Trigger Time is "hands-on" personal instruction designed to make you a better marksman. There is no classroom time, just expert one-on-one instruction from our staff. Participants must bring their own handguns and ammunition, at least 100 rounds. This program is for experienced handgun shooters and not appropriate for beginners or novices. (Reservations begin April 16.)

## Women's Beginning Shotgun

May 16 • Saturday • 1 – 3:30 p.m.

*(Women only, ages 10 and up)*

We will cover proper gun selection, proper fit, appropriate ammunition choices, basic shooting stance, gun mount, and movement. Then we'll move to the range to practice what we've learned. Shotguns and ammo will be provided, or you may bring your own. Attendees must be able to shoulder and shoot a shotgun safely without assistance. (Reservations begin April 16.)

## Armed Forces Day Free Shooting

May 16 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

current Military, Reserve, or Guard show your active duty military ID on Armed Forces Day and shoot one discipline for free: one booth for one hour on the Rifle/Pistol Range, or one hour on Static Archery, or one round of 3D Archery, or one round of Trap. (No reservations required.)

## Basic Handgun Care and Cleaning

May 19 • Tuesday • 6 – 9 p.m.

*(Ages 9 and up)*

Even new firearms must be cleaned and properly lubricated before being shot or taken hunting. Handgun shooting requires proper care and attention. Let us teach you the proper techniques and overview some of the multitude of products available to maintain firearms. Firearms and equipment provided. (Reservations begin April 19.)

## Beginning Youth .22 Rifle

May 30 • Saturday • 8 – 9:30 a.m.

*(Ages 9 – 15)*

Interested young people who are **first-time** rifle shooters can participate in this session on learning safety and proper techniques of shooting .22 caliber rimfire rifles in a controlled, safe environment. Firearms, ammunition, and safety equipment is provided. (Reservations begin April 30.)

*Unless otherwise indicated, youth under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.*

# Busch Shooting Range and Outdoor Education Center

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## Beginning Atlatl

May 9 • Saturday • 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
(Ages 11 and up)

Join our experts and learn the art of atlatl. The atlatl predates the bow and arrow. In 2010 the atlatl became a legal method of harvesting deer in Missouri. The atlatl is used to throw a 4-to-6 foot long, spear-like projectile known as a dart. The atlatl is a wooden shaft approximately eighteen inches long with a socket or knock at the rear to engage the dart. The dart is placed along the shaft with its back end resting in the socket or knock. The hunter grips the atlatl near the front end and performs a forward throw using the upper arm and wrist. The flipping motion of the atlatl creates angular momentum that propels the dart with greater speed and power than can be achieved with the arm alone. Meet in the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area Regional Office classrooms. (Reservations begin April 10.)

## Basic Archery

May 12 • Tuesday • 6 – 8:30 p.m.  
(Ages 10 and up)

This program provides students with an opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to safely participate in this fun and rewarding outdoor activity. Our instructors will help participants develop their archery skills as we cover types of bows, parts of the bow and arrow, proper stance, grip, form, release, and other important tips and techniques. Meet at the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation archery range. (Reservations begin April 13.)

## Metallic Reloading

May 20 • Wednesday • 6 – 9 p.m.  
(Ages 11 and up)

This class will introduce you to the equipment, materials, and techniques for reloading metallic cartridges, and give you hands-on experience re-loading rifle and/or handgun ammunition. Meet at the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area Regional Office classrooms. (Reservations begin April 20.)

## Shotshell Reloading

May 21 • Thursday • 6 – 9 p.m.  
(Ages 11 and up)

Here is your opportunity to learn the inexpensive process of reloading shotgun shells using simple equipment. The technique is easy and will save you money over the cost of factory ammunition. This is a hands-on learning class; we'll produce quality shot shells with low-cost equipment. Meet at the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area Regional Office classrooms. (Reservations begin April 22.)

## Basic Shotgun

May 23 • Saturday • 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
(Ages 12 and up)

This is an introduction course to shotguns. Meet at the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area Regional Office classrooms where you will learn safety, actions, chokes, stance, and how to choose and shoot a shotgun. Then we will head out for some live fire including shooting clay targets. Not recommended for children under 90 lbs. (Reservations begin April 23.)



From I-64/40 take Hwy 94 south to Hwy D; turn west on Hwy D for approximately 5 miles. The area entrance is on the south side of Hwy D.

Programs are free. Call **636-441-4554** to register Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

## Basic Archery

May 30 • Saturday • 9 – 11:30 a.m.  
(Ages 10 and up)

This program provides students with the knowledge and skills needed to safely participate in this fun and rewarding outdoor activity. Our instructors will help participants develop their archery skills as we cover types of bows, parts of the bow and arrow, proper stance, grip, form, release, and other important tips and techniques. Children ages 10-16 must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the August A. Busch Memorial Conservation archery range. (Reservations begin April 30.)

*Unless otherwise indicated, youth under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.*



# Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center

11715 Cragwold Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/271](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/271)



From I-44 east take the Watson Road exit and turn left on Geyer. Cross over the bridge and turn left on Cragwold Road. Follow one mile to the entrance. Enjoy nature exhibits, attend programs, purchase hunting and fishing permits, browse through a nature-related gift shop, and pick up free conservation brochures. Outdoors, enjoy three miles of hiking trails through oak-hickory forest.

## HOURS:

Building: Tuesday – Saturday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Area: Daily: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. DST  
8 a.m. – 6 p.m. CST

Programs are free. Call **314-301-1500** to register. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.



## Scout Discovery Table: Bird ID and Flyways

May 9 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
(All ages)

Discover the wonders of Missouri birds and the location of their flyways in a self-led program. Activities are designed for Cub Scout Wolves (Birds: Elective 13d) and Webelos (Outdoor Group: Naturalist 4 - 6). Discovery tables are also open to the general public. (No reservations required.)

## Emmenegger Hike: Songbirds and Spring Wildflowers

May 12 • Tuesday • 10 a.m. – noon

(Ages 8 and up)

Hike the scenic 1 ½-mile Emmenegger Nature Park Trail to look for native wildflowers and listen for spring songbirds. Binoculars provided. Effort = Moderate: Natural surface hike through forested hills. Please meet at the pavilion. (Reservations begin April 28.)

## Archery at Emmenegger

May 15 • Friday • 9 – 11 a.m.

(Adults)

Ready, Aim, Fire! Learn the basics of safe archery and practice your skills in an open field with stationary targets. All equipment will be provided. Please meet at the pavilion. The entire program will be outdoors, so please dress for the weather. (Reservations begin May 1.)

## Conservation Teen Programs

We hope to help teenagers discover nature through programs at the nature center and throughout the St. Louis area. Beginning this month, look for monthly offerings for ages 13 – 17. Activities may include hiking, fishing, shooting skills, plant and animal studies, and more! Transportation in state vehicles will be provided if the program is off-site. No adults or siblings, please.

## Conservation Teens: Archery and Hiking

May 16 • Saturday • 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

(Ages 13 – 17)

First, explore the trails at Emmenegger Nature Park and then ready, aim, fire! Learn the basics of safe archery and practice your skills in an open field with stationary targets. All equipment will be provided. Please meet at the pavilion. The entire program will be outdoors, so dress for the weather. (Reservations begin May 2.)

To get to Emmenegger Nature Park, go west on Cragwold Road (past the Powder Valley entrance), cross over highway 270 and go south (left) on Stonewood.

## Seeds and Sprouts

May 19 • Tuesday • 9:30 – 11 a.m.

(Ages 6 and up)

If you were a seed you'd have a complicated job to do. Protect the life inside, travel away from the parent plant, wait for just the right conditions, and then sprout – sending roots down and leaves up and not the other way around. How does a seed do all that? Join us as we explore these and other interesting questions about seeds and sprouts. You can even make a seedling experiment to take home. (Reservations begin May 5.)

## You and Me Under the Canopy

May 20 • Wednesday • 10 – 11 a.m.

(Ages birth – 8)

Families, meet in the nature center lobby at 10:00 a.m. for a "nature" adventure. Make sure to dress for the weather because we won't be in the building long. Everyone will hike with the naturalist to a special place in the forest and enjoy a nature story under the tree canopy. Siblings are welcome. (In case of inclement weather, the program will be shortened to 30 minutes. (Reservations begin May 6.)

# Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center

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## Nature And The Arts with Lloyd Grotjan and Ann Grotjan

Join Lloyd Grotjan and Ann Grotjan as they share their love of art and nature.

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*Lloyd Grotjan*  
*Performance*  
*Friday • May 15*  
*7 – 8 p.m.*

Lloyd, photographer and musician, combines the best of his thirty years of nature photography with his original music. Lloyd's programs are a feast for the senses. Reservations required and begin immediately.

*Ann Grotjan*  
*Potter and Sculptor*  
*Saturday • May 16*  
*10 a.m. – 2 p.m.*

Ann, potter and sculptor, creates her unique form of artwork. Intricate carving and nature-related details sets her work apart from other potters. Pieces will be available to purchase. All ages. No registration required.



## Forest Park Office

5595 Grand Drive, St. Louis, MO 63112 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/10254](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/10254)



From I-44 take Kingshighway north to West Pine Blvd, turn left. Follow West Pine to Lindell, turn left. Continue on Lindell past Union Drive to Cricket, turn left. Take first right onto Grand Ave. The visitor's center is on the right.

### HOURS:

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Programs are free. Call **314-877-1309** to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

### Scope It Out!

May 21 • Thursday • 10 a.m. – noon

(Ages 6 – 12)

All you need is a water bottle and comfortable shoes. We'll take a short hike where grasses and wildflowers grow. Using our field scopes, we will uncover and discover the natural world at 20X magnification. Meet inside the Dennis & Judith Jones Visitor and Education Center in Forest Park. Parking is available in the Twin Lots across from the Visitor's Center. (Reservations begin May 1.)

### Wild in the City Day Camp

June 22 – 25 • Monday – Thursday • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

(Ages 8 – 12)

Summer Camp this year swings full tilt to discovering nature. We'll visit a natural area in Forest Park while combining the same four activity blocks each day: exploration, species identification, observation and outdoor skills. Camp is outdoors with basecamp at the Dennis & Judith Jones Visitor and Education Center. Participants must sign up for all four days and bring a sack lunch. Completed registration, including a waiver and emergency contact sheet, must be received by June 1. Applicants will be picked for camp through a lottery system. (Applications available May 1.)

# Columbia Bottom Conservation Area

801 Strodtman Road, St. Louis, MO 63138 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/298](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/298)



From I-270 north, take the Riverview Drive exit (last Missouri exit); go north 2.8 miles. Riverview Drive becomes Columbia Bottom Road at its intersection with Larimore Road. The entrance is on the right-hand side.

## HOURS:

Building: Wednesday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Area: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset except authorized activities.

Programs are free. Call **314-877-6014** to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

## Sunset and Moonbeams

May 1 • Friday • 7 – 8:30 p.m.

*(Ages 7 and up)*

The fading sun and glowing moon provide the perfect backdrop for a springtime evening stroll. Experience the sights and sounds of our waterfowl refuge “night shift” as we walk with the setting sun along the grass covered levee. We’ll stop along the bank of the Mississippi where moonbeams have been known to light up the river’s surface. Meet at the Canoe/Kayak Access, parking lot “O,” off the gravel road, about four miles from the front gate. Columbia Bottom is where we help you discover nature. (Reservations April 15 thru April 29.)

## Discovering May Flowers

May 6 • Wednesday • 10 – 11:30 a.m.

*(Ages 10 and younger)*

Do April showers really bring May flowers? Find out as we venture on the area for a short hike. We will see which flowers have emerged from the ground and what is yet to come. While on the hike, young ones will gather inspiration for a floral craft to be done inside. Please come dressed for the weather. (Reservations April 22 thru May 3.)

## Seniors’ Spring Picnic

May 12 • Tuesday • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

*(Senior Adults)*

Let’s get acquainted with some native trees at Columbia Bottom and learn a few “forest facts” Our visit involves only light walking and easy access to all areas. Meet at the Visitor Center. Bring your lunch as we’ll eat at our shaded Confluence area pavilion. Water and dessert will be provided. (Reservations April 24 thru May 8.)

## Preparing Fillets for the Frying Pan

May 16 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

*(Ages 10 and up)*

Join us as we practice cleaning a few different types of fish. If you have a favorite filleting knife, bring it along, or you can use one of ours. Participants under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult. (Reservations begin May 2.)

## Geocaching: An Introduction

May 30 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – noon

*(All Ages)*

Bring the whole family to Columbia Bottom to be modern day explorers through the outdoor sport of geocaching! This adventurous activity is a modern day scavenger hunt which ties technology and nature together and is enjoyable for any age. Join us for an introduction on the basics of geocaching and then try your hand at hunting for hidden caches on the area. GPS units will be provided. (Reservations begin May 16.)

## Geocaching: Learning More

May 30 • Saturday • 1:30 – 3:30 PM

*(Adults)*

You know the basics of geocaching and now you want to become an expert. Learn how to use pocket queries, what to do with Travel Bugs, paperless caching and a host of other geocaching techniques that will enhance your caching experience. Columbia Bottom has teamed with the St. Louis Area Geocaching Association (SLAGA) to help you become a better cacher. There will be time for an open house forum, so bring your questions. (Reservations begin May 16.)

## Explorer Day Camp

June 8 – 11 • Monday – Wednesday • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Thursday 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

*(Ages 9 – 12)*

Would you survive as an Explorer? Spend four exciting days learning new skills via friendly competition at our base camp, Columbia Bottom. We will journey to other nearby conservation areas, as well. Explorers must attend all four days and bring a sack lunch. Parents/guardians, please ask for an application packet when calling in. Once you’ve completed the application return it to Columbia Bottom to be placed in our lottery drawing. Applications are due by May 18. (Applications available May 1.)



# August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area

2360 Hwy D, St. Charles, MO 63304 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/300](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/300)

## Pretty Pressed Petals

May 2 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – noon  
(Ages 10 and up)

April showers bring May flowers, and with those flowers we craft! Learn how to press beautiful flowers and transform them into beautiful artwork as book marks, candles, and more! These beautiful creations are sure to impress and could even make great gifts for Mother's Day! (Reservations begin April 17.)

## Lewis Hike— Migrating Songbirds and Spring Wildflowers

May 9 • Saturday • 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
(Adults)

Join us for a refreshing spring hike through the forests at the Weldon Spring Conservation Area. This is a good time of the year to hear and see both songbirds and wildflowers! The length of the hike is 8.3 miles. The hike offers several panoramic views of the Missouri River Valley from the bluffs along the trail. Effort = Strenuous because of the distance and several hills to navigate. (Reservations begin April 24.)

## Goodness Snakes Alive

May 22 • Friday • 9:30 – 11 a.m.  
(Ages 4 – 6)

Are snakes really slimy? How do they move, smell, hear, and eat? Learn the answers to those questions and lots of other neat stuff about snakes. You will be able to observe live snakes found in Missouri and even touch some of them if you want to. Come prepared to also take a short hike to see if we can observe any snakes in their natural habitat. (Reservations begin May 8.)



## Awesome Snakes and Lizards

May 23 • Saturday • 9:30 - 11 a.m.  
(Ages 7 – 12)

Snakes and lizards are really amazing reptiles. Come and discover many amazing things about the snakes and lizards that live in Missouri. You will be able to observe live snakes and even touch some! Come prepared to take a short hike to see if we can observe any snakes or lizards in their natural habitat. (Reservations begin May 8.)



From I-64/40 take Hwy 94 south to Hwy D; turn west on D for approximately two miles. The area entrance is on the north side of Hwy D.

### HOURS:

Building: Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Area: Daily: 4 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Programs are free. Call **636-441-4554** to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

## Discover Nature Girls Camp

The Missouri Department of Conservation will be offering its fourth annual Discover Nature Girls Camp. It is a free three-day, two-night girls camp aimed at introducing young ladies ages 11–15 to different outdoors skills. The camp will be held July 21, 22, and 23 in Lincoln County at Cuivre River State Park.

Campers spend three fun-filled days learning by participating in a “hands on” hunter education class. They participate in a variety of outdoor skills such as canoeing, geocaching and fishing. The camp is limited to 60 girls between the ages of 11–15. Applications must be received by May 8, 2015.

To apply for Discover Nature Girls Camp, please contact the St. Louis Regional Office at (636) 441-4554 to request an application form.



# Rockwoods Reservation

2751 Glencoe Road, Wildwood, MO 63038 • [mdc.mo.gov/node/272](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/272)



From I-44 take Hwy 109 north 4 miles to Woods Avenue; left on Woods Avenue, then immediately right on Glencoe Road. From Manchester Road take Hwy 109 south 2 miles to Woods Avenue; right on Woods Avenue, then immediately right on Glencoe Road.

## HOURS:

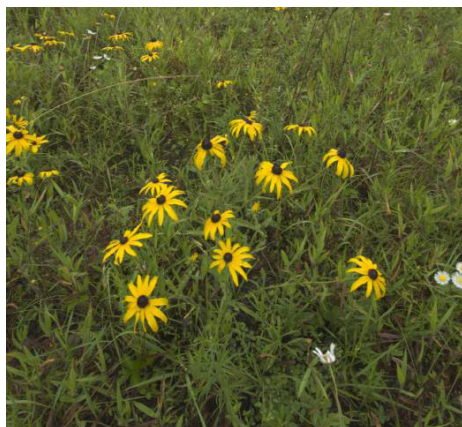
Building: Monday–Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Area: Sunrise to one-half hour after sunset except authorized activities.

Programs are free. Call **636-458-2236** to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list. Interpretive services are available for those with hearing loss with 5 days notice.

## Destination Hike: Pickle Springs Conservation Area

May 2 • Saturday • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
(Ages 12 and up)

Enjoy a refreshing spring hike through the hills and forests of Pickle Springs. Many wildflowers bloom in early May, including wild azaleas. This designated Natural Area is known for its waterfalls, exposed sandstone formations, springs, and scenic views. Pickle Springs is located in Ste. Genevieve County. Effort = Moderate, 2 mile hike with changing elevation. (Reservations begin April 17.)



## Nature Journaling Group: Spring Wildflowers

May 6 • Wednesday • 9 – 11 a.m.  
(Adults)

Doodling, sketching, and fun are on the agenda as we explore the spring wildflowers at Rockwoods. Our nature journaling series continues as we observe spring wildflowers and utilize various methods to record information about them on our journaling pages. Dress for the weather! (Reservations begin April 22.)

## Backpacking for Beginners

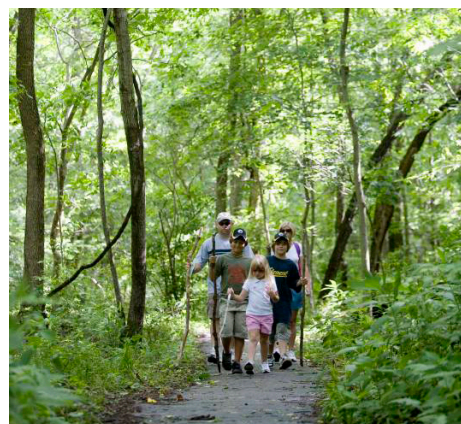
May 9 and 10 • Saturday 9 a.m. – Sunday • 11 a.m.  
(Families ages 12 and up)

Do you enjoy hiking and car camping? Would you like to try backpacking, but aren't sure where to start? Join our Naturalists for a beginning backpacking experience. We will hike approximately seven miles of the Green Rock Trail and camp in Greensfelder Park. Attendance by at least one family member is mandatory at a Pre-Trip Planning Meeting on Wednesday, May 6, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. We have equipment available to borrow, but you will need to provide your own food. Effort = Strenuous. (Reservations begin April 22.)

## A Walk in the Woods

May 16 • Saturday • 9 – 11:30 a.m.  
(Families)

Spend a beautiful late spring morning hiking the 2.2 mile Rock Quarry Trail. Observe native wildflowers, ferns, and birds. Learn some of the amazing history of the area as we pass scars of man's presence from over 100 years ago. Effort = Moderate for natural surface hiking and elevation changes. (Reservations begin May 1.)



## The Wonderful World of Worms

May 18 • Monday • 11 a.m. – noon  
(Ages 3 – 5)

We'll uncover the underground world of earthworms. Discover how worms live and interact with other living things through hands-on activities. Be prepared to get messy as we dig in the soil and touch living worms. (Reservations begin May 4.)

